

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: Chair Kelly Flynn, on January 12, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Kelly Flynn, Chair (R)
Rep. Bob Brown, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Bridget Smith, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Virginia Court (D)
Rep. George G. Kipp III (D)
Rep. Casey Knudsen (R)
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Matt Regier (R)
Rep. Adam Rosendale (R)
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)
Rep. Tom Welch (R)
Rep. Kerry White (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Zach Brown (D)
Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)
Rep. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jessica Riffel, Committee Secretary
Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 97, 1/9/2017; HB 164, 1/9/2017
Executive Action: HB 150- Do Pass As Amended, HB 98- Do Pass

00:01:06 Chair Flynn

[EXHIBIT\(fih09a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fih09a02\)](#)

HEARING ON HB 97

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:28 Rep. Denley Loge (R), HD 14, opened the hearing on HB 97, Increase block management landowner payment cap.

00:03:37 Rep. Stewart-Peregoy joined the meeting

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:41 Ken McDonald, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

00:07:33 Dan McGregor, Self

[EXHIBIT\(fih09a03\)](#)

00:09:18 Rep. Jacobson joined the meeting

00:14:45 Ben Lamb, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

00:15:54 Julia Altemus, Montana Wool Product Association

00:16:58 Scott Perkins, Self

00:18:13 Jay Bodner, Montana Stockgrowers Association (MSGA)

00:20:00 Willson Ilgenfritz, Montana Wool Growers Association (MWGA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:21:16 Rep. Vinton

00:21:32 Scott Perkins, Self

00:21:44 Rep. Vinton

00:21:52 Scott Perkins, Self

00:22:15 Rep. White

00:23:14 Ken McDonald, FWP

00:24:14 Rep. White

00:24:44 Ken McDonald, FWP

00:25:21 Rep. White

00:25:47 Ken McDonald, FWP

00:25:56 Rep. Shaw

00:26:27 Ken McDonald, FWP

00:26:52 Rep. Rosendale

00:27:07 Ken McDonald, FWP

00:28:20 Rep. Rosendale

00:28:55 Ken McDonald, FWP

00:29:52 Rep. M. Regier

00:30:08 Ken McDonald, FWP

00:31:10 Rep. B. Brown

00:31:43 Scott Perkins, Self

00:32:11 Rep. Court

00:32:40 Ken McDonald, FWP
 00:33:04 Rep. B. Brown
 00:33:47 Ken McDonald, FWP
 00:34:40 Chair Flynn
 00:35:10 Ken McDonald, FWP
 00:35:45 Chair Flynn
 00:36:10 Ken McDonald, FWP
 00:36:21 Chair Flynn
 00:36:57 Ken McDonald, FWP
 00:37:03 Chair Flynn
 00:37:53 Ken McDonald, FWP
 00:38:18 Chair Flynn
 00:38:44 Rep. Loge
 00:38:58 Chair Flynn
 00:39:06 Rep. B. Brown
 00:39:12 Chair Flynn
 00:39:37 Rep. Loge
 00:40:01 Rep. Rosendale
 00:40:20 Rep. Loge

Closing by Sponsor:

00:41:28 Rep. Loge

HEARING ON HB 164

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:43:23 Rep. Kelly Flynn (R), HD 70, opened the hearing on HB 164, Revise distribution of base hunting license revenue.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:51:35 Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association (MOGA) .
 00:55:21 Jay Bodner, Montana Stockgrowers Association (MSGA)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:56:52 Dustin Temple, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)
 00:58:53 Ben Lamb, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)
 01:01:17 Amy Seaman, Montana Audubon

[**EXHIBIT\(fih09a04\)**](#)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:04:14 Rep. White
 01:05:34 Rep. Flynn
 01:05:48 Rep. Rosendale
 01:06:08 Ben Lamb, MWF
 01:06:41 Rep. Rosendale
 01:06:45 Dustin Temple, FWP
 01:07:03 Ken McDonald, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)
 01:08:40 Rep. Rosendale

01:08:56 Ken McDonald, FWP
01:09:28 Rep. Loge
01:10:04 Dustin Temple, FWP
01:10:14 Rep. Loge
01:10:24 Dustin Temple, FWP
01:10:42 Rep. Shaw
01:11:08 Rep. Flynn
01:11:32 Rep. Shaw
01:11:42 Rep. Flynn
01:11:53 Rep. Rosendale
01:12:12 Amy Seaman, Montana Audubon
01:12:32 Ken McDonald, FWP
01:13:02 Rep. Loge
01:13:21 Rep. Flynn

Closing by Sponsor:

01:13:43 Rep. Flynn

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 150

01:17:56 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. White moved that **HB 150 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Rep. Z. Brown voted by proxy.

01:20:10 Chair Flynn
01:20:41 Rep. White
01:20:51 Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 98

01:21:23 **Motion:** Rep. Court moved that **HB 98 DO PASS**.

01:21:42 **Motion:** Rep. B. Brown moved that **HB 98 BE AMENDED**.

Discussion:

01:22:18 Rep. B. Brown

[EXHIBIT\(fih09a05\)](#)

01:23:20 Rep. White
01:23:34 Rep. Rosendale
01:23:57 Leanne Kurtz, LSD

01:24:12 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Z. Brown voted by proxy.

01:24:26 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Court moved that **HB 98 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Z. Brown voted by proxy.

01:25:12 Rep. White

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:26:04

Jessica Riffel, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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EXHIBIT([fih09aad.pdf](#))